

covered after his arrival here. With the League of Nations functioning there will be no neutrals in time of war; therefore, any definition of the freedom of the seas would be superfluous. This accounts apparently for the failure of the President to discuss it and the omission of any reference to it in the constitution of the league.

When he left for America the President was convinced of the seriousness of the economic situation, believing that the settlement of the pending economic questions, including the blockade, was more important than many of the pending political matters. Those who talked with him were tremendously impressed by his earnestness on this point. There is authority for saying that the President feels that there are the seeds of revolution of the world over in the present situation.

Unable to Convince France.

It would seem that here again the French take the contrary viewpoint and appear as a stumbling block to the plans which apparently the President believes are vital. The President, it would seem, would have the German blockade lifted as soon as possible, as the effects of this blockade now are serious in all countries. He believes that Germany has food only for March and if brought near starvation the new Government could be overthrown easily and Bolshevism turned loose.

He has tried, so far in vain, to convince the French of the necessity of starting German industry and restoring normal trade throughout the world to prevent grave social disturbances, from which France would suffer equally with the other nations.

The President let it be known definitely that he hoped to leave Washington a few days after March 4, explaining that the nations here desired America to act as umpire in many territorial questions and others arising out of the war treaties.

PEACE CONFERENCE PAINTER SELECTED

Augustus John Will Make Symbolical Picture.

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Paris, Feb. 15.—Augustus John has been entrusted with the task of painting a symbolical picture of the Peace Conference.

The League of Nations covenant which was submitted to the world's consideration, is a declaration of the rights of the peoples, and while it is in many ways a philosophical document it will have an extremely important practical bearing upon the daily life of whole generations to come.

Shows Common Sense.

The document shows that a good deal of common sense has been used in its drafting, and it is a very effective application of ideas to matters of fact. The French may suspend judgment for a short time in order to see how the League of Nations will be able to afford, but since the decisions meet many French criticisms their objections have fallen to the logical mind of the French the scheme will appear to suffer from the almost inevitable confusion of two ideas. There were two conceptions of the League of Nations, one that it should be a sort of super-

state, which in order to abolish war would assume many of the rights of nations, covering all its members; the other that the league should be less ambitious and should confine itself to forming a large co-operation in the interests of peace, with all of its members guaranteeing the territorial and political integrity of each other.

Both Tendencies Shown.

Both of these tendencies are shown in the covenant presented at today's conference. The league will have a hazy sovereignty right and the control over some colonial territories and will also seek to regulate armaments and to act as a judge in the friendly settlement of disputes.

National armies will continue to exist, but on a footing established by the league itself and having only as their limits the real needs of national security. It will be to these armies and to these fleets that the league will have to turn in the event of economic and financial menace not being sufficient to prevent illegal peace breaking.

To the French the military provisions of the covenant are all important, and while these will probably be accepted as a satisfactory compromise, the French are not likely to abandon more direct measures until the league becomes a living body.

ECONOMIC QUESTION NEXT GREAT PROBLEM

Readjustment of World Finance Has Complications.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—When the Supreme Council assembled this afternoon Col. E. M. House occupied the place of President Wilson. Col. House will attend the council meetings regularly until the President's return to Paris.

With the subject of the League of Nations now out of the way for some time to come, the biggest problem before the Peace Conference at present is believed to be the readjustment of the world's financial and economic relations, which have been torn to pieces by more than four years of war.

Three different organizations have been created to deal with these subjects, and they have been as hard at work while the conference has been struggling with the central idea of the League of Nations that already some of their conclusions are ready for consideration. It is soon as the conference is willing to receive the reports, although the last body created in this connection dates back only to February 8.

The supreme economic council and its work is of the greatest immediate importance. It has been charged temporarily, during the armistice period, to handle such pressing questions as the disposition to be made of shipping, the abatement of the blockade, which has been holding back the economies of the world, and the distribution of raw materials, and, finally, those financial questions that require instant attention.

This council, which includes in its membership some of the ablest financial and business minds of America and Europe, has been working quietly and without exciting animosity between the nations, but the subject of the blockade, which has been holding back the economies of the world, and the distribution of raw materials, and, finally, those financial questions that require instant attention.

It is certain that there will be criticism—criticism being essential to the satisfactory working of this conference, a certain amount of opposition from the smaller nations to placing so much power in the hands of the Big Five, but while there may be some who will complain that the whole proposal is up in clouds there will be others who will grumble because it is too definite. The personal of the covenant, however, ought to convince most people that the League of Nations committee has avoided the two dangers of trying to do too much and of achieving too little.

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greatest moment to the business world. It is this commission which will have to meet the industrial demands of the European nations for the pooling of all the credits, debts and resources of the nations—a proposal which seems certain to be strongly resisted by the American representatives.

Of scarcely secondary importance is the task which is being set before this commission of obtaining information as to the financial resources, present and prospective, of the enemy countries. In order that the Commission on Reparation may complete its work, which is based on the idea, one of the delegates intimated, of making the enemy pay all that he can safely be made to do.

NEW LAW FOR NATIONS.

Permanent Body Formed to Study New Problems.

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—A permanent international juridical commission has been constituted with the object of studying the problems of international law that the Peace Conference must solve and the codification of international law. The union, which is entirely provisional without any official status, will comprise thirty members from the associated Powers and ten members from neutral countries.

Leon Bourgeois of the French peace delegation and Dr. Ruy Barbosa, head of the Brazilian delegation, are the honorary presidents. The American members are Elihu Root, John Bassett Moore and James B. Scott. Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Cuba, Peru, Mexico, Great Britain, France, Spain, Belgium, Greece and Rumania also are represented.

REDS MORE ACTIVE ON AMUR RAILWAY

Supreme Church Council at Omsk Appeals for Aid to Combat Bolshevism.

By the Associated Press.

VLADIVOSTOK, Feb. 11 (delayed).—Bolshevik activity is pronounced along the Amur railway, where 8,000 Magyars of Gen. Tsaib's former army are reported to be entrenched near the Manchou station awaiting moderation of the war.

The Supreme Church Administration at Omsk has launched an appeal for moral support in the struggle against Bolshevism, addressed to the Pope, the Archbishops of Paris, Canterbury and New York and the Metropolitan of Serbia, Rumania and Greece.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Detroit citizens, headed by Representative Doremus (Mich.) who appealed to Secretary Baker today to withdraw American troops from northern Russia, were told that the best military minds were dealing with the question of reinforcing the expedition if necessary, that there was no danger of the force being cut off from relief, and that the question of withdrawal could be worked out only in agreement with the Associated Powers.

The American contingent in the Archangel region is composed largely of Michigan troops, and the delegation told Mr. Baker of letters from the soldiers describing their hardships and difficulties.

The Secretary said the future of the allied military forces in Russia had been under discussion at Paris between President Wilson and the allied leaders. He explained that relief could not be cut off because the Archangel harbor is open all year, and that carefully selected equipment had been provided for the troops before they were sent to Russia.

Interracial action in regard to withdrawal was essential, he said, since it was by joint agreement that the expedition had been sent.

LEAGUE GREETED BY LONDON PAPERS

Press of the World to Have Added Responsibilities, One View.

PRaise FOR PRESIDENT

Clemenceau Also Receives Credit for Framing of New Covenant.

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LONDON, Feb. 15.—The afternoon papers, like those of this morning, receive the "published covenant of the League of Nations very favorably. The Evening News, which takes a broad view, suggests that the education of the mind of the world to the new social conditions created by the League of Nations rests mainly upon the newspapers of the world. It adds:

"If the future peace of the world is to be kept by public opinion that opinion must be molded by the press, which will become in effect a universal man, and more than ever a trustee for the uniform and inarticulate opinion of mankind."

The Globe, after pointing out that there are two distinct schools of thought in regard to dealing with Germany, those who believe that Germany will respond to lenient treatment and those who think the Germans respect nothing but force.

"President Wilson is entitled to derive some satisfaction from the result of his efforts, which necessarily take shape rather as the resultant of forces than as the offspring of a single mind, however able. Credit unmistakably is due in very large measure for the diplomacy which M. Clemenceau steered the proposals through the shallow and through the rocky channels, which, under less skillful leadership, might well have brought them to grief."

A Businesslike Document.

The Evening Standard says it is certain that this great revolution in international relations could not have reached the present stage but for the universal sense of the compelling necessity for some means of avoiding war, perhaps even more the constant preparation for war.

The horrors of the battlefields twenty or even ten years hence, says the Standard, must exceed those of the present war as these have dwarfed all past experience. The question of restricting armaments is more difficult than the construction of machinery for arbitration, since it affects more intimately questions of national pride and prestige, but public opinion must be educated to strengthen practical proposals which are made to that end. It concludes:

"The covenant is a document of highly businesslike character, approved by the representatives of fourteen nations and destined to modify the whole course of future history."

Cannot Be Realized.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "It is a remarkable and significant fact that fourteen nations, including all the civilized great Powers, should have declared their adherence to its doctrines and pledged themselves to carry out its intentions. We may heartily echo President Wilson's hope that it will be found to represent a union of wills which cannot be realized."

"We infer from the terms of the constitution that the legal settlement of disputes by arbitration and to contribute in a degree as determined by the executive to

of having renounced its 'sacred paper' morality, and in the meantime, the restrictions of armaments, at which the league aims internally, must be limited by regard to the conduct of those beyond its borders."

The greatest strength of the league is that it undoubtedly represents the deep seated impulse in the democracy of today, if that impulse endures the barriers to another great war may be permanently insuperable."

League a Living Fact.

The Evening Star says: "The League of Nations no longer is a passionate dream; it is a living fact. We rejoice exceedingly, for here at last we have a magna charta making a covenant for humanity. For this the free peoples of the earth have poured out their blood in rivers; not in vain have their children died in their unpolished youth; they gave their lives for the young men of the future; they walked through the valley of the shadow so that the nations might learn war no more."

The Westminster Gazette says: "Some even of the warmest supporters of the League of Nations will admit that their expectations were too low, in the face of the momentous document published today. With America, Britain and France going hand in hand and imperative circumstances driving them to produce a scheme which is clear and bold in outline, and which if adopted in any form will put all international politics on a new basis and give us the beginnings of the united states of Europe only but of the world."

There remains the difficult but supreme question of the admission of the nations which are now our enemies. The allied Governments are aware that no scheme will be complete which leaves Germany or Russia outside. We shall come to the conclusion, unless there is a militant international revolution in Germany, that it is safer for her to be in the league than outside, and that it is an advantage to have this question settled sooner rather than later."

LEAGUE IN EARNEST. SAYS LONDON 'TIMES'

Means to Enforce Edicts Provided in Pact.

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LONDON, Feb. 15.—The Times, in an editorial on the League of Nations covenant, says:

"Those who thought the League of Nations was only a project of international amity, will change their minds when they read the covenant. They will realize that the conference is in deadly earnest and the whole project is one that will make history—we hope a happier history than that of the last four years. The project, if not the means, is outlined by Gen. Smuts, is like it as his brother."

"The first duty of the league being to prevent wars, it must be provided with its thunder, and their efficacy must depend mainly on the physical force at its command. The advantages of membership in the league are these:

"First, every member will have for its territorial integrity and political independence a guarantee of protection against aggression backed by the whole force at the disposal of the other members. The league is, in fact, a mutual guarantee to society of unlimited liability."

"Secondly, where it appeals to the arbiters, every member observes the rules of the league and another party does not, any member will have the protection of the league against a resulting war. The league will be found to carry, as they should do, certain corresponding obligations, such as to observe the rules of the league in regard to the legal settlement of disputes by arbitration and to contribute in a degree as determined by the executive to

punitive measures decided upon by the league in order to enforce its principles."

Punitive Measures Important.

"These measures are in the last resort military, but they also may be financial and economic. A very important provision of these punitive measures shall subject the offending Power to severance of all its relations with the nations of any State, whether a member of the league or not, and that all members shall give the right of passage through their territory to forces acting in behalf of the league."

"The effect of this provision is that should Germany, for example, ever again be at war under the same circumstances to those that led to the recent war, Holland, Denmark and Sweden all would be obliged to refuse intercourse, financial, commercial or economic, whether they were members of the league or not, and if they were members of the league they could be obliged in addition to furnish their quota of forces of the league and give passage over their territory to the forces acting in its behalf."

Permanent Influence for Good.

"It is not, therefore, true, as some said, that the league cannot do more against the offender than produce the conditions of the present war. This provision is further significant as a recognition of the principle for which Great Britain fought so hard in the war; no one has a right to be neutral and gain by that neutrality in a struggle in which the foundations of international society are in danger."

"Further, if Sweden or Denmark become a member of the league this provision, among other things, secures for a naval power free entry into the Baltic. The covenant will be found, the more it is examined, to go deeper into the causes of the war, and do more for their removal than any one expected. We venture to say it is the most important international document ever published, and one, which if it is worked in the spirit of its founders, will exercise a permanent influence for good on the future of the human race."

FRENCH PAPERS COLD TO LEAGUE PLANS

"Figaro" Calls It "Vague and Nebulous."

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PARIS, Feb. 15.—With the exception of the Temps, the representative French newspapers show little enthusiasm over the constitution of the League of Nations as presented at yesterday's plenary session of the Peace Conference. Jean Herbet, the political editor of the Temps, in an editorial, writes:

"The fundamental point of the covenant which President Wilson submitted to the conference yesterday is that the nations which united in the fight for the right to remain as united to maintain peace as they were to win the war. Before the peace preliminaries and before the bond formed by the fraternity of arms has disappeared a new bond appears."

"For this great boon most of the credit is due to President Wilson, whose departure France salutes to-day and whose return she awaits. President Wilson is not only the sower of generous ideas, but has been a political tactician. Sometimes patient, sometimes pressing, he is always tenacious. He was not willing to return to Washington without carrying with him the plan of the covenant. We congratulate him and we congratulate ourselves."

The Figaro, the organ of the ruling classes says: "This is the first step on the initiative of its illustrious chairman, President Wilson, wisely decided not to rush to-morrow from the eternal and confined itself to making safe the present. The mystic Society of Nations has,

then, become a league of the five great Powers which beat Germany and which, having conquered, mean to consolidate both victory and peace. A close alliance will result between the United States, England, France, Italy and Japan."

The writer, Albert Capus, editor of the Figaro, says in addition that "the future is opened to a better settlement, but that naturally is as yet vague and nebulous."

The Journal, one of the most widely circulated newspapers here, says:

"While all are speaking of fraternization and eternal peace the French people cannot lose sight of reality, and reality the vicinity of 10,000,000 humiliated Germans shuddering under merited punishment. It is half of Europe in chaos. When we see evoked, amid such perspectives, the seductive idea of disarmament, it is our duty to ask plainly, where are the guarantees and what is the force which will shelter us from the reaction of tragic surprise? To these questions a careful reading of the projected statutes of the Society of Nations and the eloquent speeches made at the conference bring but one answer: Moral force."

"Perkins" in the Echo says: "We are forced to conclude that the twenty-six articles bring us no security. Until they are changed we can sacrifice nothing of our means of defence to these humanitarian ideas. The Socialist newspaper Humanite is even less pleased than the 'Bourgeois' papers. Deputy Marcel Cachon writes in this publication: 'It is impossible to conceal the impression of disillusionment that first examination of the long convention makes on us. It is clear to the dullest that we are far from President Wilson's first project. We find in the document neither the general spirit of President Wilson's messages nor the necessary clear information as to the composition of the so-called executive committee. The project cannot in any way command the support of democrats and peoples' parties, which placed such hopes in the idea of which Mr. Wilson constituted himself an eloquent defender.'

WILSON SAILS FOR PORT OF BOSTON

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dent stood on the gunboat and waved to the crowds on the dock and those assembled on the embankment high above the quay. The mistiness of the weather hid the gunboat from sight soon after it left the dock, but the President continued to wave and bid adieu to the boat headed toward the George Washington. The President was accompanied on board the gunboat by Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand and by Representatives Helvering, White and Norton, who have been in France for several months. David R. Francis, the American Ambassador to Russia, and his son and daughter also were members of the party.

The President spent just fifteen minutes at the quay. He passed along the line of those assembled to greet him and shook hands with each one. Reaching the end of the line he beckoned to Mrs. Wilson to come. He descended the stairs to the deck of the gunboat and then assisted Mrs. Wilson to descend. On the arrival of the Presidential party on board the George Washington there was little formality except for handshakes with M. Leger and M. Tardieu, the orders being for the George Washington to get under way as soon as the party and its baggage had been received. The sea was calm as the gunboat made its way to the George Washington.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 15.—In a cablegram received to-day by Joseph P. Tum-

ulty, secretary to the President, who is staying at a hotel here, President Wilson announced his decision to deliver an address at Boston immediately upon his arrival in this country.

President Wilson will speak at a meeting arranged for by Mayor Peter and the George Washington, bearing the President and Mrs. Wilson, will make port at Boston on the return trip to America.

WELCOME AWAITS WILSON IN BOSTON

All New England Governors Expected to Be Present.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.—A welcome awaits President Wilson at Boston in keeping with the international importance of the mission from which he will return on February 15. The compliment paid the city by the chief executive in accepting an invitation to land here aroused instant enthusiasm in the office of Mayor Andrew J. Peters.

The announcement that the President would make a notable address here caused the Mayor and his staff to get busy and in a short time a tentative programme was in the making. It is safe to say that the reception will be on a grand scale and somewhat spectacular. The army and navy will, it is expected, have a prominent part in the programme and if a monster parade will not be objectionable to the distinguished guest, it can be arranged without difficulty.

A problem that engaged early attention was the choice of an auditorium that would accommodate even a small part of the crowd that will wish to hear Mr. Wilson. The Arena, one of the largest auditoriums in the city was recently burned, but there are other halls that will seat several thousand persons. It was thought likely that the Governors of all New England States and their staffs would be on hand to greet the President and it was said also that all the larger cities were likely to send official delegations in addition to those who come on their own hook.

President Wilson is returning, it is known, than any steamship that has ever entered this port. Commonwealth pier in south Boston is about 1,200 feet long and the channel is of sufficient depth, officials say, to float the vessel.

LIFE MASKS FOR PEACE HEADS

Faces of American Commissioners to Be Preserved.

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, Feb. 15.—The United States Government has ordered that life masks be made of every member of the American commission to the Peace Conference. The work will be done by Lieut. Alan T. Nugent, T. Nugent and Miss Eleanor C. Allen.

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